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SUBJECT: BUSINESS FOCUS ON MONGOLIA

1. HONG KONG CITIBANK VICE PRESIDENT HARSHFIELD IS PLANNING TO DRAW ATTENTION TO POTENTIAL TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN MONGOLIA IN A SPEECH BEFORE A TWO-DAY LONDON FINANCIAL TIMES CONFERENCE ON THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK IN NORTHEAST ASIA SCHEDULED TO BE HELD HERE STARTING APRIL 3. CITIBANK HAS ASKED US IF WE HAVE ANY DIFFICULTY WITH SUCH COMMENT. IT WILL BE ALONG LINES THAT BUSINESSMEN SHOULD INVESTIGATE THE COUNTRY WHICH APPEARS TO BE INCREASING IN INTEREST AS A SOURCE OF MINERALS AND SCARCE ALLOYS.

2. CONGENOFF TOLD CITIBANK THAT HE SAW NO PROBLEM ALTHOUGH THE LACK OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND MONGOLIA OF COURSE MEANT NO USG PROTECTION OR OTHER SERVICES IN-COUNTRY. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- 3. PLEASE ADVISE IF ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMAL GUIDANCE SHOULD BE PASSED CITIBANK.
- 4. THERE IS SOME POSSIBILITY SPEECH WILL GENERATE INQUIRIES TO STATE OR COMMERCE ON U.S. POLICY TOWARDS MONGOLIA AND ON MONGOLIAN TRADING ARRANGEMENTS,

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